

EDITORIAL

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Inauguration of new Polystyrene Container at Potton’s Eco-Centre



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On Friday, May 13 Pierre Beaudry and representatives from Nexkemia Petrochemicals as well as Municipal Mayor, Louis Veillon, Potton Council members Michel Daigneault and Edith Smeesters, Municipal employees, citizens and guest, Pierre Reid-Liberal MP, gathered for the official inauguration of the new polystyrene container installed at Potton’s Eco-centre on West Hill Road.

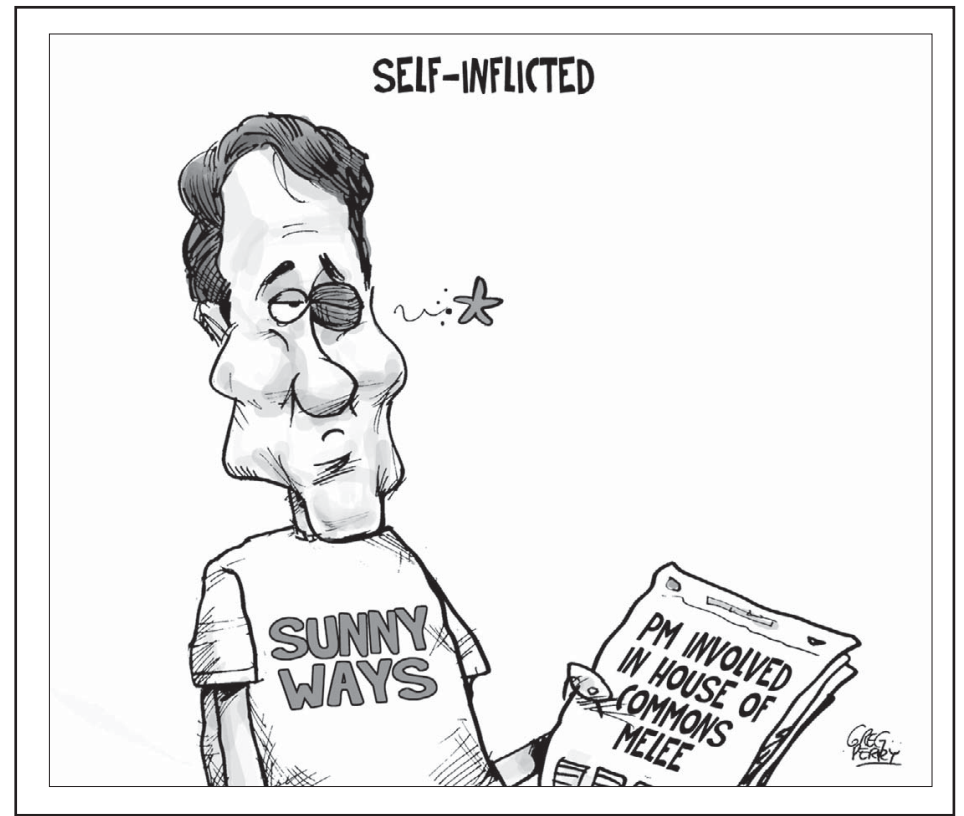
Environment Specialist, Alexandra Leclerc who is in charge of waste management and protection of the water

sources in Potton welcomed those present. Alexandra emphasized that this is another of Potton’s great strides to encourage waste management in the community and that improvements are a constant priority. For over four years now, Alexandra has excelled in her leadership and expertise in this field. This latest addition being a collaborative initiative of Nexkemia Petrochemicals and the Municipality of Potton.

Potton Mayor, Louis Veillon echoed in praise for Nexkemia, a company that employs over 40 people. He noted the company’s continuous efforts to encourage waste management and it’s desire to work closely with the Municipality.

NexKemia Petrochemicals Inc. is a reliable and diversified expandable polystyrene producer, a product that is mainly used in day to day applications such as construction and packaging. NexKemia’s actions are governed by a sincere desire to provide good quality products to its customers, a safe work place for its employees and environmentally safe practices for its neighbors.

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plained Nexkemia Plant Manager, Pierre Beaudry. “It can be melted down, remoulded and re-used.”

Liberal MP, Pierre Reid addressed the group with positive commentary on the collaborative initiative.

“This is a beautiful area,” stated Reid. “To attract young families however, the efforts and initiatives have to be ever changing and evolving toward ensuring a better future environmentally. A lot of work has gone into some wonderful projects in Potton and this is just another step in the right direction.”

Those gathered were anxious to see citizens coming and depositing materi-

als into the new container as Potton’s Eco Centre grows along with the efforts to keep Potton the beautiful place that it is for all to enjoy. The container is accessible every Saturday through to October 29 from 8am to 1pm and Sundays year round from 1pm to 5pm. You are asked to remove the labels, rinse and sort containers according to the directions available at the Ecocentre or on the municipal website listed below.

If you would like more information about the Municipality of Potton’s environmental initiatives, visit www.potton.ca or contact Alexandra Leclerc at 450-292-3313 extension 229.



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Letters

DEAR EDITOR,

I am writing this letter because I noticed that there are still a lot of people who do not understand the importance of spraying and neutering their pets. Nor do they understand the importance of adopting a pet rather than buying one from a breeder or pet shop.

Each year, in America, millions of cats and dogs get euthanized in shelters because there is simply not enough space. There are too many animals and not enough good homes. A litter of puppies or kittens might seem trivial, but represents huge consequences. If you own a dog or a cat, please don’t breed them because you think their going to make “cute babies” or because you want to make some extra money. You are only contributing to the overpopulation problem as more unwanted pets get killed, whereas adopting saves money and lives.

Please be responsible; spay and neuter your pets.

Kristine Fonda
Richmond

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